

FARMERS' TROUBLES.

The War of the Stockmen and "Nesters" in Texas.

[Dallas Cor. Cincinnati Enquirer.] There is trouble brewing in the grazing districts in Texas, and what the outcome will be is hard to determine.

Where before appeared a few men in severity now appeared a corporate body or strong company, powerful and aggressive.

Another aggravation and annoyance is that the wire fences built by stockmen are built to impede travel as much as possible.

Uncle Jimmy in the City. [Inter Ocean "Curb-Stone Crayons."] But the captain was only one among thousands, and of these was Uncle Jimmy Vincent, of Christian county.

Made-Up Men. [San Francisco Chronicle.] "No, the custom is not original. It comes from abroad, where rouses, dandies, and court-followers who are getting old make up to a greater extent than the most slender and homely ballet-dancer in the country.

Deserted Virginia Homes. [Joquin Miller.] One afternoon, along with a small party, I went hunting for wild turkeys over the vast track of 4,000 acres of hill and valley woods and meadow land.

Editorial Writing. [Cath.] There are two uses of editorial writing. The first is to correct boldly false tendencies in the people.

Inter Ocean: Shows of brightly-colored leaves will be seen this winter.

KEEP NOTHING FROM MOTHER.

They sat at the spinning together And they spun the fine white thread; One face was old and the other young— A golden and a silver need.

At times the young voice broke in song That was wonderfully sweet; And the mother's heart beat deep and calm For her joy was most complete.

There was many a holy lesson, Interwoven with silent prayer Taught to her gentle, listening child As they two sat spinning there.

"And of all that I speak, my darling, From my older head and heart, God giveth me one last thing to say, And with it thou shalt not part.

"Thou wilt listen to many voices, And ah! woe that this must be! The voice of praise and the voice of love And the voice of flattery.

"But listen to me, my little one, There's one thing that thou shalt fear— Let never a word to my love be said Which her mother may not hear.

"No matter how true, my darling one, The words may seem to thee, They are not fit for my child to hear If they cannot be told to me.

"If thou'll ever keep the young heart pure And thy mother's heart from fear, Bring all that is said to thee by day At night to thy mother's ear."

CONCERNING A SENATOR.

A Half-Waked Statesman Catches Sudden Night of the Danger Signal. [Chicago Tribune.]

Ex-Sergeant-at-Arms French, in his interesting lecture, "Ten Years Among the Senators," relates the following amusing anecdote concerning Senator Davis, of West Virginia.

Senator Davis, who, I have just told you, was in earlier days a brakeman, once gave the senate an emphatic demonstration of this oft-noted fact.

Flats no Longer Popular. [New York Cor. Albany Journal.] There may be no haunted houses in New York, but there are good many haunted house owners.

A Reform in Children's Parties Needed. [Saratoga Cor. Peck's Sun.] Children's parties are all right when they are conducted in a rational manner.

The Sage and the Mourner. [Detroit Free Press.] A Sage on his weary way to Wisconsin, came upon a crowd one day and observed a general sadness in all faces.

Thought He Knew Him. [Chicago Herald.] A Cincinnati reporter, returning from the Latvian races, reported a mutual recognition as follows:

Better Mothers. [Dr. J. H. Hanaford in Western Plowman.] The great demand of the age is better educated females—educated in all respects.

WOMAN AND HOME.

Words from Anxious Mothers Concerning the Little Ones.

Salutary Suggestions—Kitchen Wisdom—Decorations and Fashion—How to Brighten the Sitting-Room.

[Fannie B. in Minneapolis Housekeeper.] A "home-fairy" to begin with must have no formality here and the room should be the prettiest and cheeriest in the house.

Get a carpet with a deal of scarlet in it; a cream-colored ground with deep scarlet roses is very pretty, if one can afford a Brussels, if not, the new ingrains have beautiful designs and bright colors.

Gypsy tables and window stands are covered with dark, rich stuff, the valance around caught up in small festoons and fastened with bows or tassels, finished round the edge of the table with cord.

A handy man with a few carpenter tools could soon make a nice easel out of black wood, also screen and pedestals.

When the mother, a good orthodox Christian—shall appear before the great white throne, to be judged for "the deeds done in the body," and to give in her report of the Master's treasures placed in her care, there will be questions and answers like these:

Children's Toiletttes. [The Season.] Children's toiletttes are less subject to the caprices of fashion than those of their elders, and the shapes worn for some years past are so becoming, graceful and healthful that sensible mothers who consult the well-being of their tender offspring often express a hope that such loose styles may not go out for some time to come.

What a Woman Has Developed. [Chicago Inter Ocean.] A Mrs. Chapman, of New York city, has created a small industry on a large scale for women.

How a Chinaman Cooks Rice. [New York Sun.] "Melican man no sabe cookee lice," said a Mott street Chinaman who was industriously washing a big pan of rice on the edge of the washbasin.

A New Theory of Love. [Clara Belle in Cincinnati Enquirer.] What is all this flattery for? Does it make men admire us? Or love us? Have fine feathers really anything to do with fascinating these male birds?

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earthly life—will produce peevishness in her offspring. The groveling, low, sensual, intemperate, and vicious woman becomes just to that extent the mother of just such children, as the future will demonstrate. If these are facts, therefore, it is a matter of vital importance that our girls should be thoroughly educated so as to become wives and mothers, not so much because that is their highest position, as because the true woman wishes to be a wife and mother from the very aspirations of her nature.

Which Shall It Be? [Harriet M. Morris in Woman's Journal.] I am sadly conscious that thousands of mothers are so over-burdened that the actual demands of life, from day to day, consume all their time and strength.

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Consult Your Convenience. [Mrs. Dr. Roe in Housekeeper.] To all who are striving to make strap and buckle around the handle of their wants, I would say: You can reduce the burden very greatly by discriminating between your needs and your fancies.

It is vulgar to overload a table, besides being expensive and unsatisfactory. You are no better than a slave until you are above nothing what people say or think. Be a brave woman, consulting your own means and convenience rather than the opinion of your neighbors.

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The Rev. Dr. Newman was in the party, and my friend quotes him as dissenting from that theory and saying, "A woman invariably has an ideal man in her mind for a husband. She doesn't often find his counterpart in reality. Now, what is it that usually disillusionizes her? It is the man's talk. He looks like a very commonplace mortal. Now a deaf mute doesn't let himself down in that way. His methods of conversation are so laborious that he doesn't resort to them unless he has something to say. He remains a hero in the estimation of the woman whom he impresses favorably by his person, and she falls in love with him for good and all."

The Misfortune of Raising False Hopes. [Cor. Whitehall Times.] The tendency of the age is to level the barriers between the sexes; girls play tennis, they row, they rink, they skate, they sit in smoking-rooms, they dance, not only in the evenings, but in the afternoons.

There is an all-prevailing fuss pervading the intercourse of young people which is altogether detrimental. The instant a pair begin to show any particular liking for each other's society, the wide world around them is instantly on the qui vive.

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